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In re Application of: Barry W. Field, et al.  
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Examiner: Steven Blount  
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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2002, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following Amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.